

means for receiving data from said client DNS server-fixed location as to the transit times of each of

the  $n$  fastest content serving sites and  $m$  other content serving sites in an execution phase; and means for storing said data in said table in an execution phase.

22. (Currently Amended) The apparatus of claim 21, further including:

~~means for receiving a Domain Name System (DNS) request from said fixed location;~~

means for determining a response time for each of the content serving sites;

means for sending transit time requests to each of the content serving sites, timing said transit time requests so that they arrive at each of the content serving sites at the same time by using said response time for each of the content serving sites;

means for receiving data from said client DNS server-fixed location as to the transit times of each of

the content serving sites;

storing said data in a table;

23. (Previously Presented) The apparatus of claim 22, wherein said means for determining the response time for each of the content serving sites includes:

means for pinging each of the content serving sites;

means for receiving a reply from each of the content serving sites; and

means for determining the response time for each of the content serving sites by computing the difference in time from said pinging to said receiving a reply for each of the content serving sites.